

**Amendment No. 3 to HB2776**

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Signature of Sponsor**

**AMEND Senate Bill No. 3590**

**House Bill No. 2776\***

by deleting subsection (a) in 70-1-201 of SECTION 1 in its entirety and by substituting instead the following new language:

(a) An independent and separate administrative board of conservation for game, fish and wildlife of the state is created, to be known and referred to as the Tennessee fish and wildlife commission, hereinafter referred to as the "fish and wildlife commission" or the "commission", to consist of thirteen (13) citizens of this state, which citizens shall be well informed on the subject of the conservation of game animals, birds and fish in this state. Five (5) of these citizens shall be appointed by the governor, four (4) shall be appointed by the speaker of the senate, and four (4) shall be appointed by the speaker of the house of representatives, each to be appointed within the period provided in this section. In making appointments to the fish and wildlife commission, the governor and the speakers shall strive to ensure that at least one (1) person serving on the commission is sixty (60) years of age or older, at least one (1) person serving on the commission is a member of a racial minority, and at least two (2) persons serving on the commission are female.

AND FURTHER AMEND by deleting subdivision (c)(1) in 70-1-201 of SECTION 1 in its entirety and by substituting instead the following new language:

(c)

(1) The entire membership of the wildlife resources commission shall be vacated and shall be replaced by new appointments made to the fish and wildlife commission pursuant to this subsection (c). In order to stagger the terms of the newly appointed commission members, initial appointments shall be made as follows:

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(A) Two (2) of the governor's initial appointments, as provided in § 70-1-204(a), and two (2) initial appointments by each speaker shall be made for a term of two (2) years and eight (8) months;

(B) Two (2) of the governor's initial appointments, as provided in § 70-1-204(a), and two (2) initial appointments by each speaker shall be made for a term of four (4) years and eight (8) months; and

(C) One (1) of the governor's initial appointments, as provided in § 70-1-204(a), shall be made for a term of six (6) years and eight (8) months.

AND FURTHER AMEND by deleting subsections (a) and (b) in 70-1-204 of SECTION 1 in their entirety and by substituting instead the following new language:

(a) Appointments to be made by the governor shall be made from districts of the grand divisions of the state in which the vacancy occurred, and the boundaries of the nine (9) districts shall remain the same as the boundaries that were in effect on February 9, 1959. Each grand division shall be represented in the governor's appointments.

(b) Appointments to be made by the speaker of the senate and speaker of the house of representatives shall be made from the grand divisions of this state as described in title 4, chapter 1, part 2. Each grand division shall be represented in the speaker appointments, and the fourth appointment by each speaker shall be from different grand divisions. No more than one (1) speaker appointed member shall be from any one (1) county.